

to ask that it be held until February whatever the date it was. In that intervening time she, and other people, will be able to get the proper amendments drafted with the Attorney General to take care of the whole thing. We don't have to mess around with a bill that has been amended already. That is all that I request. I shouldn't probably have gotten in this argument in the first place. I didn't want to see this bill go to Select File with those amendments on it. So if you'll just allow us to get your amendments off of it, so we've got it in Bill Peters' form, then let the Attorney General and Senator Labeledz work on this thing in their own way.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Duis, let me tell you something. The eight people on the Revenue Committee didn't go very hot for what Bill Peters brought in. They had some amendments that they thought were a lot better. As the legislators of this state I feel that we have more to say about what the bills do than what Bill Peters does. It is his job to implement what we write down in the statutes. We have written it down. We ask you to accept it. I certainly hope that they kill whatever you're trying to do.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, now you begin to see the problems that we've had in the Judiciary Committee with the gambling statutes. This is one little bitty element, bingo, that has sparked this much debate. Senator Keyes, I have to agree, at this time, with Senator Duis. I think it's a good idea to bracket that bill after we get the committee amendments on. I do ask one thing of either Senator Duis or Senator Labeledz, in your motion if you are going to try to solve all the bingo problems in three weeks, I wish you all the luck in the world. You're not going to get it done, even with Senator DeCamp helping you you're not going to get it done. He's been helping us for six months and we haven't got it done. I would suggest that what we have to do is put some people together, designated either in your motion, Senator Duis, or Labeledz, maybe you should try to come up with somebody, some staff personnel or somebody to straighten out the bingo problem itself so that it could possibly be brought to the floor. If we just put it up there and bracket it till the 13th or 14th of February, nobody is going to do anything about it. The 13th or 14th of February you're going to come up and you're still going to have questions before. Maybe somewhere, somewhere with the interest that we have in the issue, if you could designate some staff or some senators to get together, you might suggest it as we did the Criminal Code last year and have them try to work the issue out. I think you've got a very big problem in the gambling laws. This is just one little portion of it. You are going to be faced with, I think even in the State of Nebraska as conservative as it is, one of these days with an issue that you're going to be faced on a constitutional amendment to either open it up or shut it down completely. When you do that you're going to have church memberships and everything up here on top of you. You're going to have decisions to make. These decisions are not going to be easy. At this time I would think Senator Duis' motion should probably prevail, reconsidering those amendments and put the bill up there. At that time, Senator Labeledz, I beg of you to ask some certain members to look at it when you bracket it.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.